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Chapter 851 - With a Swing, A Sword King Falls! II

One might come across a myriad of shocking and incredulous events throughout their lives, but nothing would ever be as incredulous as watching a single Entity with his pets fearlessly match 73 other Entities.

Traverser was watching the scenes with an agape expression as he observed the Sword Kings to be moving slower as if they were in a quagmire, the effects of ||Ashes to Ashes, Dust to Dust|| fully settling in as they had to use their essence to prevent against the corrosion of a horrendous area of attack skill that was now backed with the immense power of multiple Daos and Laws!

The Animus Summons moved in furiously as the Sword Kings did not give them an ounce of fear, their resplendent attacks raining down mercilessly as they attacked multiple Entities at the same time.

The Blue Slime was the most terrifying thing as it seemed to be expanding continuously, its enormous body very soon being able to occupy the surrounding starry space as any that entered the viscous mass would have an extremely horrendous ending!

As for Noah himself...this guy had already closed his eyes as the swords of Aether and Death vibrated in his hands.

He wasn't using his eyes as his aura was spread out wildly, sensing the Universal laws supporting him as well as the Dao essences he was freely releasing from his body with his endless mana.

He had yet to figure out the unique state he entered when he utilized all laws at the same time, but he knew that every single part of him felt extreme exhilaration as his senses were magnified by a large extent.

So with his eyes closed, he waved his Aether Sword as a starry river of swords was formed from the use of [Starry Flow of the Sword].

THRUUM!

His Death Sword waved to the other side as a rain of sharp swords in the thousands tore through space through the use of [Sword of Revelation].

From above, mountainous swords had begun raining from all around as at this moment...a spamming session of ultimate proportions had begun.

Traverser felt his heart grow cold as while he observed, he was shocked to find out that every time Noah waved a sword, one of the Sword Kings on the battlefield would fall!

Other times it was due to the attacks of ferocious Animus Summons that moved with extreme ferocity while using the gaps of defense created by Noah's relentless spamming attacks on the Sword Kings.

But the truth remained the same...every time the being with his eyes closed waved his swords while he continued to spam countless numbers of skills, an Entity fell!

RUMBLE!

The figures of the Sword Kings never reached Noah to even land any attacks on him due to the relentless nature he was spamming his skills, where they could not even get near him.

If they could not even reach him while he constantly attacked and decimated their defenses with abilities that held too high of an attack power...what could they do but fall?!

And so with every swing of the Tyrannical Entity's swords, the battlefield had one less soul present.

"This..."

Traverser felt his scalp tingle at such a scene as he reached towards his forehead to wipe perspiration and sweat. The actions occurring in front of his eyes were so shocking that they made an Entity break into a cold sweat!

In the mystical Realm filled with plains of green, the Sword Emperor looked at the scene where his Sword Kings had reduced by more than 10 in less than a minute.

'Is this his current Peak state of power? Extremely powerful, but...'

Even as the Sword Emperor saw Entity after Entity fall, his eyes only shone brightly as he remained placid.

"...but it is still not enough!"

RUMBLE!

Yes!

Even though it was a tremendous show of power, the Sage still shook his head as he knew it wasn't enough!

"Against the suicidal Sages from the Spirit Race...it is not enough!"

The Sword Emperor had a thoughtful look as he thought about the incorporeal beings that were the Spirit Race.

When taking into account every powerful being in the Dark Universe, they were the only ones that deviated from the common goal of trying to prevent the apocalypse of their Universe.

At this juncture, Morgana had flown into a rage as she nearly declared a war, the Sword Emperor being the one to pull her back as they digested what just occurred.

The answer had been so shocking that the two of them could not make heads or tails of why.

Why would anyone not want to save their own home?!

As he thought of this, the eyes of the Sword Emperor shone like resplendent lanterns as he decided...the last step truly had to be taken.

"For the Dark Universe."

THRUM!

In the starry space of the Immemorial Sword Dungeon, Noah was moving with closed eyes as he swung his swords while causing an eruption of skills.

Every time he swung, an Entity fell as there seemed to be a grand symphony of destruction that only he was conducting!

Dao Crystals, Assimilation Crystals, Cores, and Skill Books filled the area as they blazed with immense loot light.

Noah's senses occasionally picked up on the numerous low Assimilation Crystals as he knew a 100% Assimilation of All Laws was not too far away!

RUMBLE!

So he moved with even more vigor as the Grand symphony of death and destruction continued, Entity after Entity disappearing from the stellar space like mere flies!

Chapter 852 - The Last Boss is a Sage! I

In the merged second to last level of the Immemorial Sword Dungeon, a shocking sight was wrapping up as Traverser could hardly believe it.

The Sword Kings that were being thrashed left and right through the spamming of GALAXY Rank skills as one of them fell every time the terrifying Tyrannical Entity waved his swords...even they did not believe it!

The pure ridiculousness of a single being with his 8 pets decimating over 70 Entities was simply unheard of, but when one put Noah's abilities into account- it wasn't an impossibility.

One could look at it in a way that even though he was acting like a single Entity, the fact that he released numerous skills constantly was akin to him doing the job of multiple Entities- thus, the difference of numbers was overcome by sheer skill!

THRUM!

Yet another Entity fell as Noah finally opened his eyes after a whole minute.

His starry eyes shone with resplendent light as when he closed them, over 60 Sword Kings were fighting against his pets and himself.

Countless casts of [Sword of Revelation], [Starry Flow of the Sword], and [Wrath of the Sword King] along with the oppressive and ever present ||Ashes to Ashes, Dust to Dust|| had occurred in this single minute that his eyes were closed- with his pets releasing their own resplendent skills as well.

A minute later, he opened his eyes as he saw...just 5 Emperors remaining on the starry space!

Each of them were spread apart as their c.h.e.s.ts heaved, their eyes trembling in fear!

That's right! The hearts of the fearsome Sword Kings, Entities who spent thousands of years learning the Grand Dao of the Sword and built strong minds and bodies...these beings couldn't help but tremble as they witnessed the situation where tens of Entities perished in less than a minute as they were the only ones remaining!

An average of a second for the fall of an Entity.

How ridiculous!

How unfair!

How glorious!

THRUUUM!

Noah felt his body erupt with even more essence as at this point, it seemed to be moving on muscle memory as he rushed towards the remaining Entities.

His pets weren't to be left behind as the Golden Crow released blazing golden flames, the Blue Slime swallowing another Entity as pillars of scorching flames erupted from Tiamat!

It did not take long before there was complete silence on the battlefield, the only things that could be heard being the crackling sounds of essence that coursed through the bodies of a single Entity and his 8 Summons.

In the starry space of this level of the Immemorial Sword Dungeon, the glimmering pillars of gorgeous loot light could be seen brightly as an innumerable number of Dao Comprehension Crystals, Law and Dao Assimilation Crystals, and resplendent GALAXY cores could be seen floating freely.

Noah's figure grandly floated in the starry space as he stared at all this and the significance of exactly what he had done.

Even when he did find out about and began mingling with Entities weeks ago, they seemed like magisterial positions that were filled with power and might!

Yet...here he was a few weeks later...where he had just personally carried out the decimation of 73 Entities in a matter of minutes, with the majority dying in a single minute.

He did that!

"OOOOOOH!"

He released a primal bellow that seemed to emanate victory and power, his multicolored figure shining grandly in the starry space that he came out the grand champion of.

"..."

The Illusory screen showing him to the Sword Emperor and Traverser were silent as they observed his figure to go towards the glimmering cl.u.s.ters of loot light, seeing this as the unique ability of the Master of Ruination that allowed him to absorb the strength of others.

The Sword Emperor looked at this scene with shining eyes as many thoughts crossed his mind.

'Maybe...'

RUMBLE!

Spatial essence spread out wildly as the area the Tyrannical Emperor was in shone with light, the figures on the starry space disappearing.

WAP!

In the mystical realm filled with verdant grasslands where the Sword Emperor was at, the disappeared figures of Noah and his 8 pets could now be seen!

They looked around the mystical area that emanated peace and wonder, their eyes honing in on the figure not too far from them that released not an ounce of power.

Seemingly like a normal Arch Human that had never cultivated their strength, the Sword Emperor rose from the verdant plains as he turned towards them.

He was dressed in simple white robes as even without any oppressive air being released by him, one would be able to notice the distinct demeanor and aura of a being that had accomplished a major milestone.

The unique aura of a Sage...Noah was able to come face to face with it for the first time as his eyes showed utter calm!

The dark hair of the Sword Entity flowed beautifully in the wind as within his right hand, the simple sword that was lying on his l.a.p before appeared.

The moment this sword was held, the very air surrounding the Sword Emperor warped and trembled as an immense aura threatened to pour out!

Noah's eyes shone brightly as he locked eyes with this being that made many things possible for him due to the Immemorial Sword Dungeon.

He was immensely thankful, and also wanted to give him the respect he deserved by completing his wishes for the Immemorial Sword Dungeon! So his figure moved the moment he arrived in this mystical realm filled with verdant plains, turning into a streak of light as he appeared in front of the Sage in an instant.

He moved against a Sage without so much as a word!

Chapter 853 - The Last Boss is a Sage! II

SHIING!

Noah's swords that were dense with the essence of Death and Aether flashed dangerously towards the neck of this wondrous Sage in front of him as he wanted to test out exactly what this stage entailed!

BZZZT

Yet as his swords neared the body of the Sage, his eyes opened wide as he saw the expression of the Sword Emperor clearly. The eyes were like a vast body of water as they were filled with utter calm.

He did not lift up the sword in his right hand to block, but merely raised his left hand!

A simple palm reflected on Noah's eyes, but this palm seemed to have covered his entire eyesight as the trajectory of the two swords of Death and Aether were pulled towards it, both of them striking against this palm as a sound akin to two metals hitting resounded.

CLAAANG!

...!

"You do not yet understand the meaning of the word Sage."

THRUM!

The voice of the Sword Emperor rang out clearly as Noah saw the palm that was seamlessly and without worry holding his two swords...pinch down.

The universal essence that made up the two swords shattered!

"Let me show you."

The voice of the sword emperor rang out again as Noah's body, even with all the boots of speed, seemed to be extremely slow in the face of the palm that shattered his two swords, his eyes only registering this same palm coming towards his body as before he could even have the thought of evading it, it smashed into him!

...BOOOOOOOM!

A simple palm without an ounce of energy.

A simple palm that was more powerful than any attack Noah had taken.

SHAA!

His figure tore through the skies of the mystical verdant Realm as he smashed into the wings of the ten headed Tiamat, the monstrous Animus letting out a painful sound as Noah's figure tore through her sturdy wings while his figure continued to fly out from the impact!

...!

The figures of the Golden Crow and the Obsidian Panther flashed towards Noah's flashing figure as the fast summons appeared behind him, using their bodies to bring his barreling figure to a halt as the scene they saw caused flames of anger to erupt from their hearts.

Half of Noah's body was missing as a wriggling mass of bones and muscles very quickly regenerated!

"Haaa..."

He let out a guttural breath as his eyes were red and filled with blood, looking incredulously towards the lone figure of the Sword Emperor that had thrown a mere palm his way and shattered his defenses as half of his body was wiped out!

ROAAAR!

OOOOOH!

His pets roared furiously at this scene as they pounced towards the Sage, this powerful being not even glancing at them as his eyes remained on Noah.

"The full assimilation of multiple Daos opens the way to something that only those at the stage of Sage and above enjoy, something that is inviolable in strength and power."

WAP!

The baleful attacks of Noah's pets hit the air as the Sword Emperor appeared above Noah's rapidly regenerating figure, another palm descending down from him as even the Obsidian Panther was not fast enough to prevent it!

BOOM!

Noah had only begun giving the command to his mana to teleport his body when the palm landed on him again.

THUNK!

His figure smashed into the ground as numerous bones cracked, yet they also healed nearly instantly later as the essence of all Universal Laws had begun filling up his injured body with even more vigor!

"You heal nearly instantly. If you can keep this up, maybe you'll learn something."

The moment Noah's body was about to fully reform as new skin covered the regenerated muscles, the figure of the Sword Emperor appeared beside him on the ground as his left hand reached out once more, this time clasping onto his shoulder as a moment later, Noah felt like he was locked on by an unmovable object.

"Here is the first lesson- When one steps into the title of a Sage, they gain access to something called Primordial Essence."

Noah's shining eyes looked at the figure that was nonchalantly talking while holding him in place, his body erupting in multicolored essences as an innumerable number of miniaturized stellar bodies bloomed from him, countless illusory swords also coming out as they all went towards the Sword Emperor!

Sin of Pride and Envy were also running at full steam from Noah's body as he looked at the Sage, yet this being only shook his head as he felt a foreign power try to affect him, the stellar bodies conjured and the illusory stellar rivers of swords not even reaching his body as they seemed to evaporate from a thin film of light.

"In front of true strength, tricks are meaningless."

The hand that clasped onto his shoulder like a metal clamp released a unique essence onto Noah's body, this essence washing over the universal laws essence he conjured up in the form of armament as it utterly shredded it once more, and then proceeded to enter his body as he felt a searing pain in his origin and soul!

"As I was saying- Primordial Essence. It is the access of this unique power that opens the door of true power to Sages, Great Sages, and all those above them. It is also the reason why right now even with all the attacks you used to decimate my Sword Kings...even you can do nothing but defend."

RUMBLE!

Noah felt his mangled body shake as a foreign essence ravaged him, his body thrown behind like a rag doll while his pets tried playing catch up with the figure of the Sword Emperor once more.

This being clad in a white robe simply warped across space as he evaded the attacks of the Animus Summons with ease, his brows lifting up a little as when he warped to a certain place in the skies, the silent figure of a vibrant blue slime was somehow already there as its body ballooned up to try and devour him!

WAP!

Yet before the body of the slime could expand, the Sage was much, much faster as he flashed away, a thoughtful look on his face.

"Truly Interesting."

He floated in the skies grandly as he watched the figures of all of Noah's pets stand in front of his mangled and healing body, their eyes filled with fury as they stared at the Sword Emperor.

Noah finished regenerating a second later due to all his support skills that were further enhanced by the Law of Life and the Dao of Vitality, his soul still feeling pulsating pain from the foreign essence that had just ravaged him.

He sat on the flat ground of the green plains as he breathed sporadically, his heart beating fast as he looked towards the being termed a Sage in front of him in shock!

This...what the f.u.c.k was this?!

The shocking scene of the Tyrannical Entity that had been decimating other Entities left and right...the scene of this same Entity getting thrashed played out in mystical Realm as the robe of a Sage remained white and clear, his eyes gazing down towards the Tyrannical Entity as he uttered dominating words.

"This...is the power of a Sage."

THRUUUUM!

It was pure speed he could not keep up with!

It was pure power he could not defend against!

It was the wondrous power of a Sage!

Chapter 854 - Primordial Essence!

When Noah had met the Sword Kings of the Consummate Sword Expanse before, they had repeated to him multiple times that the 'Will of the Sword Emperor' would always be followed.

He thought this was mere fanaticism to the Sage of their Ancient Power, but he now realized it was something much grander as he felt the power of the Sage for himself!

He was releasing such dominating strength that Noah nearly activated Plot Armor to achieve a state of invincibility, but he held it off.

This wasn't a life and death situation, and as much as the Sword Emperor was thrashing him around, he didn't actually want to kill him.

This could be seen by how he was freely talking while throwing out his palms, and also why he wasn't throwing these powerful attacks to Noah's summons as the Sage targeted him alone!

Noah listened to the words of the Sage as he felt the tinge of damage to his soul and Origin from his last attack, his eyes landing on the figure majestically floating in the skies of this verdant realm as the details of the Sage appeared in front of him.

[Sword Emperor] :: A Sage that has lived for tens of thousands of years and experienced the vicissitudes of life. He has completely assimilated the Grand Dao of the Sword, and the Lesser Daos of Voidspace and Alacrity. The complete assimilation of more than 2 Daos has allowed this being to gain access to Primordial Essence...

Noah's eyes shone as he read the information of this wondrous being, his eyes honing in on the words this Sage had mentioned before that apparently granted him such tremendous power- Primordial Essence!

[Primordial Essence] :: The abstruse essence that gave birth to the Primordial Cosmos. One can gain access to it in a myriad of ways, but beings that have assimilated 2 or more Daos can access slivers of it to descend onto them to allow for the refining and purification of their body and soul. Those in the stage of a Sage will at most be able to purify 10% of their body and soul, those at the stage of a Great Sage being able to purify at least 25%...the assimilation of more Daos will open up a wider path for the transmission of Primordial Essence and allow a being to increase the percentage of their body they can refine and purify....

Terrifying information entered Noah's mind.

They gained access to Primordial Essence that allowed them to purify their bodies, that being the reason why the Sword Emperor seemingly had such overwhelming strength when he faced Noah.

One would be keen to remember that as a Sage, he could only refine and purify 10% of his body with the Primordial Essence over his long lifespan, only able to increase this percentage if he became a Great Sage!

Yet even this level...Noah as an Entity could barely keep up with it...

"Good!"

Noah bellowed out with shining eyes as he looked at the Sage floating above. He was truly thankful to this being as he had opened his eyes to the path forward, a glorious path of power that he wished to grasp with his own hands.

THRUUUM!

Essence vibrated out as Noah thought about a great deal of things in a few seconds. He came to a decision as all of his animus pets aside from the Blue Slime all turned into streaks of light that returned to his origin!

The slime rested on his head with keen eyes that looked at the Sage with great fervor.

The Sword Emperor stared at the two beings below him with a starry gaze as his voice rang out once more.

"You've seen the strength of a Sage. What will you do to stand against it?"

The Sage threw out a domineering question as his mystical eyes locked with the Tyrannical Entity. He was hoping for this being to surprise him again as he was looking for something- something that would make him comfortably leave the task of preventing the Apocalypse of their Universe.

He wondered what this something would be!

Noah glanced at this powerful being with shining eyes as he voiced out simply.

"Give me just a minute."

RUMBLE!

The eyes of the Sage constricted as he heard this, a smile appearing on his face as he wondered, what could one do within a minute?!

A minute walk neither long nor short, as one could use it in a myriad of ways.

Noah's now unmerged clones that were separated from the Animus Summons appeared in a circle within a Time Space of the Infinite Galaxy.

In the circle the clones were surrounding, numerous glistening loot that represented Law Assimilation Crystals lay gorgeously, the count being so high after Noah took out more than 130+ Entities from the Immemorial Sword Dungeon!

These Crystals would be more than enough to completely have his Assimilation of All Laws percentage to 100%!

The gift of the Sword Emperor had truly been too grand, accelerating his timeline greatly as each of the clones grabbed the assimilation crystals...and began absorbing them rapidly.

Waves of essence flowed out gorgeously as the clones worked in conjunction, the speed of the percentage shooting up greatly as it crossed the 50% threshold in seconds!

THRUUUM!

In the outside space, not even a second had passed after Noah voiced out that he would only need a minute, the Sage seeing his body exploding out with all Universal Law essences as a storm of it began to swirl around him.

'Universal Laws? What can this do...?'

The Sage only had this thought as he quickly focused, noticing the storm of universal law essences around Noah only getting wilder and wilder!

Within the Infinite Galaxy, the Clones had already gone through half of the Assimilation Crystals in the loot pile as a second outside was 100 seconds in here, the clones working fast as the percentage next to All Universal Laws Assimilation crossed 80%.

RUMBLE!

Relentlessly and ridiculously, Noah went towards the goal of accomplishing 100% Assimilation in all Universal Laws by using the method given from the Book of Ruination, this method promising the birth of a Cosmic Dao!

The Cosmic Dao of Ruination!

Chapter 855 - All Laws Assimilated! Cosmic Dao!

One would wonder how or why the Book of Ruination listed that the assimilation of all Universal Laws using the technique it gave would make one step on the path of the Cosmic Dao that also had the name of the Cosmic Treasure- Ruination.

There were Daos that existed which came from a combination of Laws or laws and other concepts, the Dao of Four Elements and the Dao of Voidspace being among them.

Yet there was nothing as unique as the birth of something that came from the assimilation of all Universal Laws!

Of course, there were many Sages, Great Sages, and even beings in the levels of power above that tried a myriad of ways to seek power- some of them taking tens of thousands or hundreds of thousands of years to comprehend all laws and assimilate them to see if they could give birth to something truly powerful and unique.

This was how the Daos of Four Elements and Voidspace came to be in the past- due to powerful beings in the Universal Realm researching this path and coming to these Daos as achievements.

Through their tremendous power, they then actualized these Daos as they came to fruition!

This was Dao Birth!

Yet never before in history had a being been successful in assimilating all laws and making something with them.

It wasn't to say some didn't try, with past Universal Realm powerhouses in the Primordial Cosmos assimilating all laws but not being able to succeed in fusing them to produce something.

None of them were like Noah who had first comprehended all of the universal laws without assimilating any of them.

He was first an anomaly that had been able to comprehend all laws at such a low Realm of power, and he was lucky enough that he didn't assimilate them as he comprehended them!

When he did assimilate them...it was when he obtained a page from the Book of Ruination that listed the technique to do it, and he began by assimilating and fusing all the laws in the beginning stages as all of them were grouped together under All Universal Laws Assimilation.

Nobody had done it before, as nobody had received instructions from a Cosmic Treasure to do so.

Now, he was nearing 100% in this task after he utilized skill points to create a wondrous skill that allowed him to devour the assimilations of others!

THRUUUUM!

Gorgeous colors of lights were surrounding the group of clones that had Law Assimilation Crystals in their hands, their bodies glowing with a rainbow of colors as their eyes shot out beams of light!

In the outside world, the Sage's eyes were opened wide as he stated with surprise towards Noah, only a few seconds having passed since this being uttered domineering words, and now a unique aura erupted from him.

This 'red' swirled around him wildly as it carried an Ancient air with every passing second, the aura of something grand stemming forth from it as the Sage was now looking at Noah with immense shock!

"This aura! This air!"

The Sage focused on the scene as he sensed an aura of old erupt out, an Aura that reeked of ancientness that should not in any way be coming from the young being!

This aura caused Noah's body to be lifted to the skies as it was cradled by the red essence that danced around him wildly, his eyes opening as they shot out glorious beams of red light, this outburst causing a flash of red that even required the Sage to close his eyes from it.

OOOOOOOH!

A primal bellow released from Noah at this moment as his body felt a tremendous amount of power flowing through!

He floated grandly as he had achieved 100% in assimilating all laws, the moment he did so giving him something he had longed for ever since he learned of it- a Cosmic Dao!

WAAA!

The air cleared as his figure became visible for all to see. Even the Blue Slime was pushed off of him when all the essences around him turned red, the Blue blob also turning to look as its master as its eyes shook.

His hair was waving wildly atop his head as it had also taken the color of the red aura, turning into a bloody crimson color!

Everything...red!

RUMBLE!

The aura that Noah released at this moment was like nothing that even the Sage had come across before, Noah himself looking within him as he searched for the answer.

The answer of course...was the newly comprehended Cosmic Dao!

[Cosmic Dao of Ruination] :: A dao that many have searched for, but nobody has stepped on. A single being- Noah Osmont, has now begun embarking on as they will be the first to experience its mysteries. Just by comprehending this Dao, the boost of +10,000% Increased Comprehension and Assimilation of All Daos is granted, along with +10,000% to All Parameters(Damage, Defense, Attack Speed, Cast Speed, Health Regeneration, Health Reserves, Mana Regeneration, Mana Reserves, Resistances, Mental Processing, Soul Defense...). When one fully comprehends this Cosmic Dao, the boosts will be DOUBLED. When one fully assimilates this Cosmic Dao, the boosts will be QUINTUPLED. A Cosmic Dao such as this requires for it to be comprehend and assimilated by the soul- aside from Ruination itself, outside resources or treasures will yield no help. The one comprehending this Dao gains access to Ruination Essence, a type of essence that exists outside of the Primordial Cosmos- they can slowly use this essence to refine their body and soul...at the full comprehension stage, the cap is increased to 35%, with the full assimilation stage allowing for up to 100% purification and assimilation. The user comprehending this Dao also gains the Absolute Skills that can only be activated through a counterpart of this Dao- the Cosmic Treasure Ruination. This Dao also allows one to seamlessly utilize the Cosmic Treasure Ruination as all Affix Effects are doubled. More mysteries of this Cosmic Dao wait to be discovered as the one comprehending it forges towards complete Assimilation...

"...f.u.c.k."

Even Noah was speechless as what he had unlocked was simply too balance breaking!

RUUUUUUUMBLE!

Chapter 856 - Who needs Primordial Essence?! I

The Sword Emperor was staring towards Noah's figure incredulously as he could sense an aura of ancientness from it!

An aura that seemed to scream of power as it wildly waved around him, an Aura he had not come across before.

"This..."

While he could not figure it out, Noah himself had just read about the Glorious rewards he received from the full assimilation of the universal laws.

A Cosmic Dao!

A Dao that only the top experts of the Primordial Cosmos even had a chance of enjoying, and his Dao was one of a kind as nobody had even embarked on it but him.

Its effects...were simply stupendous, but he wanted to get over the disappointment first!

The disappointment related to the sentence in the description that he read- [A Cosmic Dao such as this requires for it to be comprehend and assimilated by the soul- aside from Ruination itself, outside resources or treasures will yield no help.]

A sentence that screamed of someone trying to make things harder for him!

Comprehending the Cosmic Dao would have been hard enough as he would have had to do it all by himself, but he at least thought assimilation would be a breeze as he had the Dao Assimilation Crystals.

Yet the Tier of a Cosmic Dao was so high that in its description it listed no outside resources would be of use. Assimilation Crystals and all their wonders...would be no use on Cosmic Daos! Due to this, Noah nearly wanted to revolt...

But he was pacified as he read about the stupendous effects the Cosmic Dao gave him, starting with the boosts that were purely on the realm of ridiculousness.

Just from comprehending the Cosmic Dao, he received boosts similar to a being that had comprehended and assimilated a Grand Dao!

For him, it was even higher as it was +10,000% to All Parameters. It wasn't just All Damage or Speed...but all parameters!

Even Grand Daos gave the full +10,000 boost once assimilated to one or two parameters, but this Cosmic Dao said f.u.c.k all that as it added it to everything!

He...he truly had no words for this.

It meant the +10,000% base would become +20,000% at full comprehension, and this +20,000% would become +100,000% at full Assimilation!

What a magisterial set of numbers! What balance breaking reality!

Noah's eyes searched the description of the Cosmic Dao of Ruination with fervor as he came upon the mention of Ruination Essence.

He had just learned about Primordial Essence, the unique essence that actually birthed the Primordial Cosmos and could be accessed when one was in the stage of a Sage.

Yet ridiculously...merely comprehending the Cosmic Dao granted him access to something called Ruination Essence that had effects and caps that seemed much more resplendent than even the Primordial Essence.

THRUUUM!

His body that was covered by a wild blazing aura looked to the skies as he stretched his hands out.

Since he had access to this stupendous Essence, he would utilize it to strengthen himself!

His actions caused the essence of the Cosmic Dao to swirl above him, rapidly spinning in a circle as space seemed to be getting torn.

TRHUM!

A second later, the swirling stopped as Noah's eyes squinted while observing at the center of the circle of red essence, a black hole the size of one inch appeared!

This black hole was extremely dark as shockingly, it was reminiscent of something we had come across before- the Fractures that tore apart the Desolate Galaxies!

Yet Noah didn't know of this as he looked at the small one inch hole, his outstretched hands making a grasping motion as a tendril of thick crimson liquid began to leak out of it.

RUMBLE!

The Sword Emperor was staring at the scene in front of him in shock at this point as what was occurring was simply unbelievable!

This was because the sight of essence swirling in a circle to create a small opening that had a unique liquid essence pour out of it...this scene was extremely similar to what he was able to do when he became a Sage.

This was how he obtained the Primordial Essence, and the small hole he could access it from as a Sage was less than half an inch!

...CRACK!

One could hear the shout of something shattering, but it wasn't space this time as the horrid sound came from Noah's body.

OOOOM!

The moment he swallowed the liquid Ruination Essence, it felt like something had broken within him as an instant later, it was being rapidly resounded- and at extremely high speeds at that!

The crimson liquid Ruination Essence pierced into his origin and soul as it bathed it entirely, and it then proceeded to cause Noah the most intense pain he had ever felt in his entire life as...it began to burn.

Purify!

The essence was purifying his body and soul, and it had to do so in the most excruciating manner possible as his face was drained of all color while he bellowed out.

OOOOH!

It was a bellow of pain and frustration, a bellow of feeling his soul burning inside out!

THUMP!

The sound of his heart beating was like a drum, pound and resplendent as he came out of the pain of Purification for the first time while feeling like a new man.

OOOH!

He couldn't help but release another triumphant bellow as his now crimson hair waved around wildly, his eyes shooting out luminous beams of red light!

Chapter 857 - Who needs Primordial Essence?! II

The stellar image of Noah floating in the skies glimmering with red all around was extremely striking.

His bright eyes glanced at his Stat Panel as he noticed yet another addition that he focused on!

[Ruinaton Essence Purification Effects](Currently .1%) :: +1000% to all Parameters.

"..."

Ruinaton Essence!

His body and soul that was purified with such resplendent essence was given a huge boost merely at .1%...

This was the type of power that made the Sage in front of Noah so powerful- he had purified his body with what was known as Primordial Essence, most likely gaining huge percentages in all Parameters as he moved with great power!

Yet Noah's Cosmic Dao of Ruination granted him +10,000% in all Parameters outright, while his purifying of his body and soul just now with the Ruination Essence that existed outside of the Primordial Cosmos...granted him +1000% to All Parameters!

That +1000%...was just him purifying his body and soul by .1%.

This meant that when he purified his body and soul by 1%, he would gain another 10,000% in All Parameters.

"...fuuuuck!"

Noah's brain nearly exploded at this reality, as one must recall that in the case of Primordial Essence, Sages could only use it to purify 10% of their body and soul while Great Sages were only upped to 25%!

Meanwhile, Noah could utilize this Ruination Essence to purify up to 15% at his current stage, and 35% when he fully comprehended the Cosmic Dao.

His Parameters had the capabilities to exceed a normal Sage just in the level he was at currently!

One must also remember...there was also the Primordial Essence that Noah had not even begun using.

It created such a wondrous possible future that Noah wasn't sure how it would all turn out.

Such power!

Such magisterial possibilities!

This wasn't even all...

The skies of the mystical realm quaked and tumbled as the aura Noah released became more and more oppressive. This was due to the fact that with the advantage of the Cosmic Dao of Ruination, the Affix Effects of the Ruination Cores were now doubled.

Doubled!

This means he currently had +20,000% increase to All Damage for one affix, and +20,000+ increase to Attack and Cast Speed for the other!

This was on top of the base +10,000% to All Parameters that the Cosmic Dao of Ruination gave, now was it putting into account the +1000 to All Parameters from Noah purifying his body with Ruination Essence.

All in all, even without putting the boosts of the Aura of the fully Comprehended Daos of the Sword and Withering in the picture, over +31,000% in boosts were currently rushing through Noah's body!

Ah!

RUMBLE!

His hands then shot up to the skies once more as he tried to utilize his essence to cause another one inch circle to appear and release more Ruination Essence, but found to his dismay nothing coalescing in front of him.

"...if that Essence is similar to what I think it is, you won't be able to call it forth again until your body is capable of handling another round of purification. For others, this could be a day, with the less talented needing weeks or months."

The being in question turned his vibrant eyes to gaze upon the Sage staring at him in a stupor as he replied.

"Seems I took a bit longer than a minute, my apologies!"

His crimson hair that was affected by the essence of Ruination waved wildly as he turned his eyes towards the Sage.

He wondered if this being had already purified his body to the max of 10% for the level of a Sage...if he already had +100,000 increase in All Parameters due to the Primordial Essence!

"What...is that?" The Sage's eyes swirled with wisdom as he couldn't help but ask, the implications of what he was seeing being too grand.

Noah's eyes squinted as he thought for less than a second before he made up his mind, his voice ringing out domineeringly thereafter.

"You mentioned the Primordial Essence that I couldn't grasp yet, so I simply went ahead and began comprehending the Cosmic Dao of Ruination. It just so happened that it gave me access to Ruination Essence that is as potent if not more than the Primordial Essence."

"...!!!"

RUMBLE!

Essence similar to Primordial Essence! And he...he accessed it by simply comprehending a Cosmic Dao?!

Such bullshit was enough to cause the mind of the Sage to spin as he tightly looked at this being in front of him.

Even his great Master had not been able to catch a wisp of a Cosmic Dao, and the vast majority of beings in the Primordial Cosmos were in the same boat as those that were capable enough and had embarked on a Cosmic Dao were few and far in between.

'Master of Ruination...Cosmic Dao of Ruination...it would not be too far fetched!'

The Sage thought simply as he nodded to Noah with a smile.

He had a smile on his face as he felt like the words of his Master were ringing in his ears at this time.

He had seen the 'something' he needed to ascertain this being could truly lead them against the Spirit Race and obtain the remainder of the Ruination Cores to stop the coming Apocalypse!

He could hear the words of his Master who had condemned himself along with many Sages and Great Sages to death just to give the Dark Universe enough time to give birth to the Master of Ruination...and that time was actually here.

"Come. O Master of Ruination! Let me see the extent of your power!"

The Sage bellowed out grandly as an immense aura shot forth from him, his right hand rightly grasping the Sword as he finally felt like he could use his full power against this being!

"OOOOOH!"

Noah's bellow reverberated out as the swirling essence of Ruination swirled around him with even more vigor, his Blazing red eyes sending out pillars of light as his crimson hair waved wildly, his hands making a grasping motion as two crimson Swords appeared on them!

Swords made from the essence of Ruination.

Swords containing the essence of a Cosmic Dao!

With these in hand, his figure flashed towards a powerful Sage...

Chapter 858 - I Can See You!

In the mystical realm filled with bright greenery, the skies were crying out in fear as at this moment, a figure clad in a red aura moved to instantly appear in front of a Sage as he bore his two frighteningly crimson swords over!

SHAA!

The image of the Sage disappeared as the swords hit air, his voice ringing out in the surroundings as it seemed to occupy everything.

"With this power up, you should be able to handle a strike from my sword..."

RUMBLE!

His words ended with the loud ringing of a sword being drawn, the right hand that held the sword finally being drawn and active as the Sage who had purified his body with Primordial Essence...this Sage now attacked seriously!

His image was fleeting as he moved across the skies, his eyes observing the swirling red aura around Noah that seemed to actually give him a sense of danger.

'Was the essence of a Cosmic Dao so powerful? That its mere usage would make a Sage be careful of it?'

His sword was striking down mercilessly on Noah's right shoulder, being merely an instant away from striking it...but the red light around Noah became even more luminescent as the eyes of the Sword Emperor observed tremendous speed he was familiar with, this speed somehow keeping up with his strike as instead of his sword drawing the blood and limbs of Noah- he found the vibrant red swords this Tyrannical Entity held to actually clash against his!

BZZZT!

Space cracked and cried out at the clash, the Sage watching as his strike was countered for the first time since this battle!

He saw the eyes of Noah that were blazing with intense red light, the voice of this Tyrannical Entity ringing out against his ears clearly.

"I can see you, Sword Emperor."

...!

BOOOM!

Their swords bounced off each other as the Sword Emperor remained still, Noah being the one to be pushed off with the attack!

But with this, he had successfully defended against a Sage with his own power for the first time.

"Very good!"

The eyes of the Sword Emperor glimmered with light as he spoke, his eyes opening ever wider as in the next moment, his aura picked up spatial teleportation as multiple figures clad in a shocking red aura began to appear around him.

RUMBLE!

Figures holding the same face as Noah, yet their bodies letting out even more terrifying power as it was his clones that could ridiculously display not just his full power, but 120% of it!

Each of them had the red essence of Ruination vibrantly swarming around them, their crimson hair wildly flying around as they held the same exact red swords as Noah.

"I hope you won't mind my clones joining the fight."

The main Noah spoke as the appearance of 8 clones and the pressure they released constantly destabilized the skies.

"It is a part of your strength. Let us see if it will help you!"

WAA!

| |Primal Supremacy Swords| |

...

DING!

The moment his words finished, a ringing sound erupted out...and then continued to erupt out en masse as it rang over tens of thousands of times in an instant.

With every ringing, there was the appearance of a bright blue sword as the instantaneous ringing of tens of thousands of times caused for the appearance of tens of thousands of blue swords!

They formed columns and rows around the entire area as before Noah and his clones could even blink, an innumerable number of swords had appeared between each of them! The skies turned into a sea of deadly swords that moved with the command of the Sword Emperor, this being coldly releasing the command for the Primal Supremacy Swords he had called for to descend onto their enemies.

RUMBLE!

Noah's essence moved rapidly as the abilities from [The Way of the Sword] skill tree were utilized, this time the starry rivers of swords and gigantic blades raining down being backed by the essence of a Cosmic Dao as they tried to protect their Master from the stupendous strength of a Sage that had an unknown percentage of his body already purified by Primordial Essence!

BOOOM!

As the shocking battle went underway in the Consummate Sword Expanse, another being of stupendous power was tearing across the chaotic void while making her way to this very same Ancient Power.

The small body of the being known as Big Sis Morgana had a furious expression on her face as she used her b.a.r.e hands to tear apart the chaotic void and fold space as she constantly warped across, yet even with such shocking actions she still felt like she was too slow!

"Surrounded by idiots in this f.u.c.k.i.n.g Universe! Others are suicidal, others are fools that believed old geezers too much!"

Her wrathful voice rang out to nobody as she moved, venting her anger as she moved while talking!

"That Old Geezer had foreseen that they would all die and their actions would give time for a powerful being to rise and successfully protect the Dark Universe? Bullshit! Who alone can protect an entire Universe? A mere kid just entering the rank of an Entity is the answer???"

RUMBLE!

"You better not kill yourself for such stupid claims Kaiser...otherwise I'll accelerate the destruction of this Universe with my own hands!"

...!

Chapter 859 - A Sage's Sacrifice I

Space was ruptured and trying to heal on all sides as the vibrant greenery in the mystical realm was torn down.

RIIIP!

Yet another tear in space erupted as the magnificent Sword Emperor swung his sword towards another clone, this clone barely managing to survive as the essence of Ruination held shocking properties that caused the dissolution of the strong essence this Sage released!

Yet even with such a feature, the Sage was still moving freely across the torn skies as at this moment, his pure Speed and power still exceeded Noah!

'Has he truly purified 10% of his body and soul with Primordial Essence?'

Noah's thoughts moved at instantaneous speeds with the +10,000% boost to All Parameters that included his mental faculties, wondering if the Sage he was battling had already reached the shocking level of +100,000% to All Parameters with the purification of the Primordial Essence!

'In that case..."

RUMBLE!

Essence wildly flew out as while the Sword Emperor was besieging a clone, the appearance of terrifying Tiamat reappeared in the skies that weren't littered with as many terrifying blue swords, a clone clad in the red aura of Ruination merging with her right away before rejoining the battle- this time its power boosted as a terrifying Queen Dowager now moved while being assisted by the essence of a Cosmic Dao!

ROAAAR!

Tiamat let out a terrifying bellow when she felt this essence, her body being covered by it entirely as it reminded her of an age long ago.

It reminded her of when she ruled over large regions of the Animus Universe, when she wielded her own Cosmic Dao of Annihilation as she was the Progenitor! The being that ruled with domineering strength before she was betrayed by the other Rulers of the 9 Supreme Bloodlines!

ROAAR!

A second later, the appearance of the fearsome Jormungandr, Golden Crow, Oculothorax, Calamity Bear, Obsidian Panther, and the enormous Colossal Helios Leviathan made their appearance- Noah's clones merging with them as their strength was vastly increased before they went to match the terrifying Sage!

At this moment, Noah was measuring the percent increase of [All Parameters] that this Sage had by continuously adding more and more strength gradually, and he so far found out that the percentage of purification for this Sage exceeded 5%!

RUMBLE!

Even while surrounded by the Animus Summons enhanced by the essence of a Cosmic Dao, he flashed through the skies while wielding his sword gloriously.

It felt like a single man with his swords standing against raging storms with ease as Noah observed the Sword Emperor to actually...close his eyes the moment he increased his power output by having his clones merge with his pets.

His eyes opened wide in shock as he saw this Sage with his closed eyes beginning to change, his 4 meter form gradually disappearing as something else was taking its place!

The voice of the Sword Emperor then rang out magisterially throughout the torn skies.

"When you fully assimilate the Dao of the Sword, you truly become one with the Sword."

...!

A resplendent, gorgeously shining blue sword that was inscribed with numerous runic markings!

This sentient sword...tore through space as it instantly appeared above Tiamat, passing through her wings as they were instantly cut cleanly!

ROAR!

The Queen Dowager bellowed out furiously as muscles and bones tried to reform rapidly, the Sword Form of the terrific Sage having already flashed away as it went to strike towards another pet, Noah watching this scene with shock as the Sword Emperor...had really turned into a f.u.c.k.i.n.g sword!

One with the Sword!

SHAA!

The singular arch human in sword form tore through the skies as he began to dominate the battlefield once more, Noah's pets falling on the defensive as Noah's main body gave chase.

At this juncture, a variety of thoughts crossed Noah's mind on how he could reign in this Sage, a myriad of answers popping up in his mind as one of them was Skills.

He now had a myriad of Daos, even grasping a Cosmic Dao that held terrifying boosts! What he needed now at this moment...was a skill that could put all of these Daos to use as he came out with something that could threaten a sage!

Millions of thoughts came and went through his mind as he calculated, finding all the different possibilities with Skill Creation as he pulled up the number of his Skill Points during this time.

[Skill Point(s) :: 98,245,252]

From the 30 million something skill points he had after the events of the Primal Winged Expanse, they had more than tripled as he tore through the Immemorial Sword Dungeon, each of the Sword Kings he defeated giving him hundreds of thousands of skill points!

While looking at these points and his current situation, a skill was quickly devised and calculated as it was placed in the Skill Creation tab.

GALAXY [Cardinal Sword of Ruination] :: An Unavoidable ability that locks on to the aura of the selected enemy and does not stop until it reaches the target, even if it had to traverse the entire Universe. The Cardinal Sword of Ruination will include the essence of the Daos of Ruination, Sword, and Withering as the base- the seamless inclusion of these dao essences granting +10,000 Physical and Soul Damage. Cost of Skill Creation: 30,000,000

A fairly simple skill design that played to the weakness Noah currently had when it came to the wondrous Sage in front of him- his attacks were evaded or did not reach the being!

The ability of Cardinal Sword of Ruination being unavoidable required 15 million Skill Points, the seamless inclusion of the Daos of Ruination, Sword, and Withering required 10 million Skill Points, as the +10,000 Physical and Soul Damage addition required 5 million more skill points.

Noah could have made an even more fearsome skill by using the remaining 60 millions skill points, but he saved these for a rainy day as he knew his true enemies within this Universe were the Spirit Race he was yet to meet. For the purposes of the slippery Sword Emperor...this should be enough!

RUMBE!

[Cardinal Sword of Ruination].[Cardinal Sword of Ruination].[Cardinal Sword of Ruination]...

WAA!

In the skies, humongous swords 10 meters large that glimmered and vibrated with the intense auras of 3 Daos began to appear, each of them shooting out like a guided missile as they went towards the far off Sword Emperor!

Mixtures of red and blue permeated throughout the swords as they appeared one after another, the first one reaching the Sword Emperor as this Sage in sword form merely flashed away from it to attack another one of Noah's pets. Yet...the sword that he just evaded warped right where the Sword Emperor appeared, exploding gloriously as the essence of three Daos tore apart space and caused the shimmering Sage to pause!

BOOM!

Unavoidable!

The Sage had taken damage for the first time in a while from an attack his speed could somehow not evade.

It was the advent of a skill that Noah could spam against his enemies while he was light years away, a skill they wouldn't be able to avoid as they had to be hit and either survive it with their sheer power and defenses- or face death!

RUMBLE!

A crucial juncture was about to occur in the battle within the mystical realm, a juncture that would cause for a magisterial outcome of this dreadful battle!

Yet amidst all of this, there was one thing that many might have forgotten or slipped out of their minds.

It was something that had been silent all this time even though it comprehended a great deal of Daos, more daos than even Noah and the Sword Emperor.

Hidden in the folds of space of the mystical Realm, a Blue Slime was quietly waiting for a chance.

It wanted the blood of a Sage.

It wanted to completely devour a Sage as it obtained that exact same strength!

Chapter 860 - A Sage's Sacrifice II

Crimson red swords shot forth like missiles towards the Sword Emperor, each of them screaming resonantly as they would not stop until they smashed into him!

Wherever he teleported, wherever he disappeared to...the crimson Cardinal Swords of Ruination would be there!

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

Three of them exploded out in succession as the sharp auras of the Daos of Withering and Sword were bearable, but the essence of Ruination was deadly.

It was a much higher tier essence that even while just being at the stage of comprehension, Noah could command this essence to burn through the defenses of the Sword Emperor's fully assimilated sword essence!

"Good!"

The vibrant shout of the Sage emanated out while he was in sword form, the coalescing of sword essence occurring as he remained in one spot and allowed all the chasing Cardinal Swords of Ruination to smash into him.

BZZZZT!

Space quaked and trembled as when the scene cleared, it showed ravaged sword essence as the bright blue sword that represented the Sage...had lost some of its l.u.s.ter!

Yet when the Sage expected recompense, he found out to his stupor that multiple more Cardinal Swords of Ruination were already heading his way. Noah had not stopped casting them for a single second as they seemed like homing missiles constantly rushing towards the Sword Emperor.

At the same time, the roar of an emotional Tiamat rang out as an enormous door appeared in the skies, this door opening rapidly to show the illusory form of a terrifying dragon head!

Its jaws opened as from them, purple red flames erupted out that filled the skies. The other summons moved with vigor while enhanced by Ruination, Jormungandr opening its jaws wide as the illusory form of a Galaxy Devouring Serpent appeared behind him- its terrifying force temporarily holding the Sage in place.

The purple red flames in the skies were joined by scorching golden flames, the Golden Crow looking at the Sage domineeringly as it released its fury!

All the other pets moved with vigor as the Sage was besieged on all sides, the homing missiles that were the Cardinal Sword of Ruination continuing to smash towards him and dealing constant damage.

But in the midst of all this...the Sage laughed!

"Haha! Very good! With this, there is a chance!"

As he felt the terrific power of this being that now had the strength of a beginner Sage even though he had not yet become one, the Sword Emperor felt like his Master's words were close to fruition.

He knew that this being grew ever stronger from devouring the strength of others, and he attributed the current rapid rise in Noah's power to be due to the Sword Kings he had been fed in the prior floors of the Immemorial Sword Formation.

He actually wasn't too far off as this was actually the truth!

But the Sword Emperor knew that for the strength of this being to be even more stupendous, he had to be the last sacrifice!

Even at this point while he was besieged on all sides, he had a variety of ways with the Strength of a Sage to erupt with deadly strength and reap the lives of Noah's pets or even possibly Noah himself, using his flames of life to choose mutual destruction.

But he didn't do so as after experiencing the shocking strength and taking on the Cardinal Swords of Ruination that caused tiny cracks in his sword form, he finally stayed still as he was ready to make the ultimate sacrifice!

He knew that his Origin would be preserved due to the Immemorial Sword Formation, that he wouldn't truly die. But still! He would be losing a large majority of his power as for the events to come...he would rest them on the hands of this being!

'Capable of comprehending a Cosmic Dao while not even being a Sage yet, how can I compare?'

BOOM! BOOOM!

Cardinal Swords of Ruination continued to smash into the sword form of the Sword Emperor as the attacks of the pets threatened to tear apart his strong layers of defenses unsuccessfully. His figure was like a lone sword swimming amongst the waves of destruction, peacefully passing through unhindered!

It was a truly wondrous scene as in the next moment, a Cardinal Sword of Ruination smashed into the Sage and threw him towards a certain direction.

It was a fold in space where a Blue Slime had been waiting patiently for the entirety of the battle.

WAA!

Its magisterial essence was released at this moment as its body ballooned to cover up the surrounding 20 meters instantly.

'Hmm?'

The Sage had a smile on his face as a brilliant blue light shone, his sword form evaporating as he turned back to his devilishly handsome 4 meter tall body the instant before an Absolute Skill was activated.

When he returned to his body, his serene eyes gazed towards Noah's main body far off in the distance as they seemed to give him a singular message.

'I let you defeat me!'

It was the pride of a Sage that did not wish to fight to the death, where even while using his life and power to further his goals, he still let it be known that he was truly powerful!

<<Universal Devouring>>.

WAP!

The devilishly handsome figure of the Sword Emperor...then vanished.

"..."

It was the sacrifice of a Sage.

It was a selfless action that would be the reason for something wondrous to bloom, for the rise of a shocking being that would etch his name in the annals of history!